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Applicant: WILKES, John

Serial No. 09/927,163

Filed: August 9, 2001

Entitled: SELF-  
DISENTANGLING DATA  
STORAGE TECHNIQUE

Examiner: LY, Anh

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

(X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
(X) Other: 2 Return Postcards (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

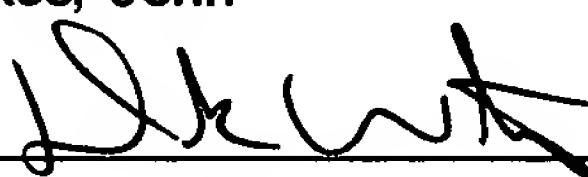
CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	MINUS	24	= 2	X \$18	\$ 36
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	3	= 1	X \$86	\$ 86
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$420.00	3RD MONTH \$950.00	4TH MONTH \$1480.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 122

Charge \$ 122 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilkes, John

By



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Date: May 5, 2004

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